

TEXAS INDIGENT DEFENSE COMMISSION

DATE: August 21, 2015

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Court of Criminal Appeals Courtroom, 201 W. 14th St., Supreme Court Building, Austin, TX

AGENDA

The Commission may discuss and/or take action on any of the following items:

1. Commencement of meeting - *Judge Sharon Keller*
2. Attendance of members
3. Approval of minutes from June 4, 2015
4. Opening remarks and Chair's report – *Judge Sharon Keller*
 - a. Establish board committees, appoint members, and set charges
 - b. Discuss spring strategic planning meeting
5. Report from Director – *Mr. Jim Bethke*
 - a. Report on recent activities
6. Report on Contract Renewals for FY2016-2017 – *Mr. Wesley Shackelford*
 - a. Innocence Projects
 - b. Texas A&M-Public Policy Research Institute- Business Services
 - c. University of Texas law clerks
7. Grants and Reporting – *Mr. Edwin Colfax*
 - a. Report on Fair Defense Account - Fund 5073
 - b. Report on FY15 budget
 - c. Report on formula grant outstanding issues
 - d. Consider distribution of unallocated FY16 General Revenue
 - e. Consider adoption and issuance of FY16 Formula Grant Request for Application (RFA)
 - f. Report on Discretionary Grant Program
 - i. Consider pending extraordinary grant requests
 - ii. Update on current discretionary grants
 1. Consider extension of Bell County discretionary grant
 2. Consider extension of Collin County discretionary grant
 3. Consider extension of Harris County discretionary grant
 - iii. Consider FY16 pending discretionary grant applications
 - iv. Consider FY16 discretionary award to Texas Tech University for the Caprock Public Defender in lieu of award to Dickens County for program
 - g. Adopt FY16 budget
 - h. Consider publication of Indigent Defense Expenditure Report manual
 - i. Report on fiscal monitoring program—*Ms. Debra Stewart*
8. Report on policy monitoring program—*Mr. Joel Lieurance & Ms. Jamie Dickson*
 - a. Report on Hidalgo County Juvenile System Monitoring Follow-Up
 - b. Report on recent reviews
9. Policies and Standards—*Mr. Tony Odiorne*
 - a. Consider adoption of policy monitoring rules and commentary to rule related to distribution of attorney appointments
 - b. Report on materials to implement SB 1517/Counsel for Out of County Warrant Arrests
 - c. Report on 2015 Indigent Defense Plan Submission process, revised plan requirements, and revised plan templates
10. Next meeting
11. New business
12. Public comment
13. Adjournment